

I claim:

✓ 1. A method for creating an image on a display surface of a substrate,
said method comprising:

a) applying a first layer of waterfast medium to a surface of an ink-jet
transparency sheet having a coating adapted to receive hydrophilic solvent-based
ink to create an image on said transparency sheet;

b) at least partially liquifying said image and coating on said ink-jet
transparency sheet with a solvent;

c) placing the surface of the ink-jet transparency having the at least partially
liquified image and coating in intimate contact with said display surface of said
substrate for a time sufficient to transfer a portion of said image and coating from
said transparency sheet to said substrate; and

d) peeling away said transparency sheet.

2. The method of claim 1 wherein said step of applying includes
printing said first layer of waterfast medium on said transparency sheet with an ink-jet
computer printer.

3. The method of claim 2 wherein said first layer of waterfast medium is
a waterfast ink.

4. The method of claim 2 further including modifying said image by
applying a second layer of waterfast medium.

5. The method of claim 4 wherein said first layer of waterfast medium
is relatively transparent and said second layer is relatively opaque.

6. The method of claim 1 including applying a second layer of a
medium different from said first layer of waterfast medium.

2 7. The method of claim 6 wherein said second layer of medium is non-
waterfast.

2 8. The method of claim 1 including the further step of modifying said
image by adding one or more additional layers of medium to said surface of said
transparency sheet prior to said step of partially liquifying.

2 9. The method of claim 8 wherein said first layer of waterfast medium
is relatively transparent, and said display surface of said substrate has markings that
would show through said first layer, further including applying at least a partial
4 additional layer of relatively opaque medium to areas of said image to at least
partially mask said markings of said display surface from showing through said
6 image.

2 10. The method of claim 8 further including creating several alternate
images on separate transparency sheets in accordance with step (a) and comparing
the appearance of said separate sheets overlaid one at a time on said display
4 surface prior to selecting one of said separate sheets for proceeding with said steps
(b), (c), and (d).

2 11. The method of claim 8 wherein said alternate images on said
separate sheets comprise proofs, and said selecting is performed by a person other
than the person performing the method.

2 12. The method of claim 11 wherein said person performing said
method is engaged in a business of selling articles manufactured by said method,
and said person other than said person performing said method is a buyer of said
4 articles of manufacture.

2 13. The method of claim 1 further including the step (e) of modifying
said image by applying additional medium to said image after said transparency
sheet is peeled away.

2 14. The method of claim 13 wherein said additional medium is
different from said first layer of waterfast medium.

2 15. The method of claim 1 including the additional step of fabricating
said substrate.

16. An article of manufacture manufactured by the method of claim 1.

2 17. The article of manufacture of claim 16 wherein said article is an art
object.

2 18. The article of manufacture of claim 16 wherein said article includes
an image on said display surface at least partially comprised of a photographic print.

2 19. The article of manufacture of claim 16 wherein said article includes
an image on said display surface at least partially comprised of a computer
generated image.

2 20. A method for creating an image adapted for transfer to a display
surface of a substrate, said method comprising applying a first layer of waterfast
medium to a surface of an ink-jet transparency sheet having a coating adapted to
4 receive hydrophilic solvent-based ink to create an image on said transparency sheet.

21. The method of claim 20 further including the steps of:

2 at least partially liquifying said image and coating on said ink-jet transparency
sheet with a solvent applied to said image and coating on said transparency sheet;
4 placing the surface of the ink-jet transparency having the at least partially
liquified image and coating in intimate contact with said display surface of said
6 substrate for a time sufficient to transfer a portion of said image and coating from
said transparency sheet to said substrate; and
8 peeling away said transparency sheet.

22. The method of claim 20 further including the steps of:

2 wetting the surface of the substrate with a quantity of solvent sufficient to
partially liquify said image and coating;
4 placing the surface of the ink-jet transparency having the image and coating in
intimate contact with said display surface of said substrate for a time sufficient for the
6 quantity of solvent on said substrate to at least partially liquify a portion of the image
and coating and to transfer a portion of said image and coating from said
8 transparency sheet to said substrate; and
peeling away said transparency sheet.

23. The method of claim 20 including modifying said image with

2 additional media applied to said surface.

24. An article of manufacture manufactured by the method of claim 20.

25. A kit containing instructions for the method of claim 20. -

26. The kit of claim 24 including a component required for carrying out
2 said instructions selected from the group consisting essentially of said transfer sheet,
and waterfast media.

- 2 ✓ 27. An article of manufacture comprising a leaf from a plant having
printed thereon a photographic image or a computer generated image.

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